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SUBJECT: EXFILTRATION PREVENTION MEASURES

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B) USBERLIN 2145 (NOTAL)

C) STATE 256998 (NOTAL)

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1. SUMMARY: NUMBER OF ADDITIONAL MEASURES TO CUT
DOWN ON INVOLVEMENT OF US PERSONNEL IN EXFILTRATION
ACTIVITY HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED PURSUANT TO USCOB/USBER
TASK FORCE STUDY; OTHERS REQUIRE PRIOR COORDINATION WITH
HIGHER MILITARY HEADQUARTERS. END SUMMARY.

2. PURSUANT TO USCOB-USBER TASK FORCE STUDY, FOLLOWING
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MEASURES HAVE BEEN AGREED UPON BY USCOB AND USBER

FURTHER TO RESTRICT POSSIBLE INVOLVEMENT OF US PERSONNEL
IN EXFILTRATION ACTIVITY:

A. DETAILED SEARCH BY MILITARY POLICE OF EVERY
PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLE (POV) EXITING EAST BERLIN
AND/OR COMPLETING A TRIP ON THE BERLIN-HELMSTEDT
AUTOBAHN. SEARCH WILL BE THOROUGH ENOUGH TO INSURE
THAT NO UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS ARE BEING TRANSPORTED.

B. TRAVEL TO EAST BERLIN BY MILITARY PERSONNEL IN
GRADE E-6 AND BELOW, AND CIVILIAN EQUIVALENTS, WILL
BE SUBJECT TO FOLLOWING RESTRICTIONS:

(1) PERSONNEL WILL PROCESS AND TRAVEL IN GROUPS
OF THREE OR MORE WHETHER GOING BY POV OR WALKING.
WALKING GROUPS WILL NOT EXCEED FIVE PERSONS,

(2) ONE INDIVIDUAL WILL BE DESIGNATED RESPONSIBLE
FOR CONDUCT OF MEMBERS OF GROUP.

(3) A GROUP OF THREE MAY BE COMPOSED OF ANY MIX,
SO LONG AS ALL ARE MEMBERS OF FORCES (I.E., THREE
SOLDIERS; THREE DEPENDENTS; TWO SOLDIERS AND ONE
DEPENDENT; ETC.), BUT PRACTICE THAT ONLY PERSONNEL
IN UNIFORM MAY VISIT EAST BERLIN BY WALKING IS
UNCHANGED.

C. VAN-TYPE POVS WILL NO LONGER BE ALLOWED TO BE USED
FOR VISITS TO EAST BERLIN.

D. TRAVEL ON BERLIN-HELMSTEDT AUTOBAHN BY PERSONNEL
IN GRADE OF E-6 AND BELOW, AND CIVILIAN EQUIVALENTS,
TO BE PROHIBITED DURING HOURS OF DARKNESS.

E. THOSE WHO COMMIT WILLFUL VIOLATIONS OF CURRENCY
REGULATIONS WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM FURTHER TRAVEL TO
EAST BERLIN AND ON BERLIN-HELMSTEDT AUTOBAHN. PERIOD
OF RESTRICTION WILL BE BASED UPON SERIOUSNESS OF VIOLATION.
EXCEPTIONS TO THESE RESTRICTIONS WILL BE POSSIBLE, BUT
WILL BE GRANTED ONLY BY USCOB OR HIS DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE.
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SENTATIVE. FINALLY, TROOP ORIENTATION IS TO ENSURE THAT
US FORCES PERSONNEL UNDERSTAND NEW PROVISIONS AND APPRECIATE
THEIR NECESSITY.

3. MEASURES A, AND E. HAVE ALREADY BEEN IMPLEMENTED,
BUT OTHERS REQUIRE COORDINATION WITH HIGHER HEADQUARTERS
TO INSURE THEY ARE SIMULTANEOUSLY MADE APPLICABLE TO
PERSONNEL ELSEWHERE IN EUROPE. TO FACILITATE THIS

COORDINATION AND TO UNDERLINE POLITICAL IMPORTANCE OF
THESE MEASURES, WE REPEATING REF B TO MILITARY ADDRESSEES.
RECOMMEND DEPARTMENT LIKEWISE REPEAT REFS C AND D.

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